

St. Gaspar del Bufalo Catholic Church

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Te must let it be known how the Blood of Christ cleanses the souls and sanctifies them, particularly by means of the sacraments."

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR B

DECEMBER 24, 2023



MERRY CHRISTMAS!
CHRIST OUR SAVIOR IS BORN!



THE MANY JOYS OF SANTA!

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus and the Rosary Sodality for Hosting the Breakfast with Santa!

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades
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Housekeeping – Tom Pfister Chairman Parish Council - Kevin Strater Chairperson Finance Committee - Cathy Putman St Gaspar On-Line Giving Site:

https://www.osvhub.com/st-gaspar-church/funds

Saint Vincent de Paul 260-582-4375

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Gaspar Del Bufalo

Please, send any info for Facebook to Pam Neu: msnneu@yahoo.com

Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday: 8:00am to 4:00pm

Confessions

20 Minutes before each Mass Saturday and Sunday Wednesday 8:30am to 9:00am Saturdays 9:00am to 10:00am except first Saturday of the Month.

You can also schedule a private one by calling the office.

Adoration

Wednesday 8:30am to 9:00am Precious Blood Adoration First Tuesday of the Month 6:00pm to 7:00pm

December 17, 2023 Collections				
Weekly Collection	3042.00			
Donations	5145.00			
Votives	75.82			
Christmas	120.00			
Adult Bible Study	162.00			
Solemnity of Mary	40.00			
K of C Breakfast	377.00			
Altar & Rosary	135.00			
Children Weekly	5.00			
Retirement for Religious	40.00			
Catholic Charities	60.00			
Total	9201.82			
Thank you for your generous giving				



APPRECIATION

I THANK YOU ALL FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE TO MAKE YEAR 2023 EVENTFUL IN THE PARISH. THANKS FOR ALL YOUR CARDS AND GIFTS. GOD BLESS YOU ALL AND SEE YOU IN THE NEW YEAR.

The Parish Council will meet Tuesday, January 2nd at 7:00 PM

2024

New Year's Masses

<u>NEW YEARS EVE</u>: Sunday December 31st 7:30 AM and 10:00 AM normal Mass schedule

New Years Day: Monday January 1, 2024

Mass is at noon Ushers: Alan and Margaret Baskett

Servers: Kaleb and Sam Strater Proclaimers: Matt and Elena Lock

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Ray Krouse, Dave and

Cathy Putman.

The Strater Family will be serving Sauerkraut and Dumplings again this year! Bring a dish and join us after Mass at noon, to celebrate the New Year! Hope to see you there!

The Helping Hands of Orange Township would like to thank everyone who donated to the Giving Tree. They would also like to thank the Rosary Sodality for filling a van up with non perishable items, canned goods, cleaning supplies, and personal hygiene products. **Thank you for your very generous giving!**



FROM THE CATECHISM:

PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH SECTION TWO I. THE CREEDS

CHAPTER TWO I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, THE ONLY SON OF GOD.

Article 4

"JESUS CHRIST SUFFERED UNDER PONTIUS PILATE, WAS CRUCIFIED, DIED AND WAS BURIED"

Paragraph 2. JESUS DIED CRUCIFIED

II. CHRIST'S REDEMPTIVE DEATH IN GOD'S
PLAN OF SALVATION

603 Jesus did not experience reprobation as if he himself had sinned. But in the redeeming love that always united him to the Father, he assumed us in the state of our waywardness of sin, to the point that he could say in our name from the cross: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Having thus established him in solidarity with us sinners, God "did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all", so that we might be "reconciled to God by the death of his Son". God takes the initiative of universal redeeming love

604 By giving up his own Son for our sins, God manifests that his plan for us is one of benevolent love, prior to any merit on our part: "In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins." God "shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us."

Jesus recalled that God's love excludes no one: "So it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish." He affirms that he came "to give his life as a ransom for many"; this last term is not restrictive, but contrasts the whole of humanity with the unique person of the redeemer who hands himself over to save us. The Church, following the apostles, teaches that Christ died for all men without exception: "There is not, never has been, and never will be a single human being for whom Christ did not suffer."

Merry Christmas to you and your families

William and Mary Baranowski

Ponna Biberstine

Adele Bobay

Herb Bobay

Palton O' Boyle

Beverly O'Boyle

Mary Cazier

John Dukehart Joan Dukehart

Larry Edwards

Althea Falesnik

Karen Fry

Robert Gross

Natividad Gross

Mary Hartman

Paul Hartman

Heston Families

Greg Hill

Barbara Hogan Dennis Hogan

Hong & Baskett Families

Gabriel Koch

Gerhard & Cileen Krull

Lori Krull

Cheryll Lopshire

Harold and Claing Lopshirg

Ponna Martin

Jim Martin Jim Neu

Robert and Delores

Richards

Keith Rollins

Willburn and Irene Schutty

Art and Rose Sorg

Lavern Stroder Sharen Sturgis

Clarence and Dorothy

Tatman

Rick Tracey Bob and Joan Weaver Rodney Werling

Thank you to all who donated flowers for the Sanctuary
Thank you to all parishioners and guests for the wonderful support you give to
St. Gaspar's Parish.



MASS INTENTIONS						
Saturday	4:30PM	† Bill Gephart				
Sunday	7:30AM	+ Suzanne Arnold				
	10:00AM	People of the Parish				
Christmas Eve	4:30PM	† Dalton O'Boyle				
	10:00PM	+ Rose Worman				
Christmas Day	9:00AM	+ Gerhard & Eileen Krull				
Tuesday	8:00AM	NO MASS				
Wednesday	8:00AM	NO MASS				
Thursday	8:00AM	NO MASS				
Friday	8:00 AM	NO MASS				

Please join us for The Precious Blood Adoration January 2, at 6:00 PM

First Saturday Mass at Patroness of America January 6, 2024 at 11:00 AM.



St. Vincent de Paul Society Need assistance with rent/ utilities? Contact SVDPS at 260-582-4375. Leave your name, number and a brief

explanation of need. A Vincentian will return your call within 24 hours. Donations are accepted in the SVDP box in the gathering area and the hall next to the exits. You may also stop by the office to make a donation. God Bless You!!

Offering Mass Intentions

Remember that you can offer intentions for your deceased family members, sick relatives, or any other intention by coming to the Parish office during the office hours. *According to Canon Law, the Bishops of a providence determine the offering amount that seems appropriate. The Bishops of the Indiana Providence have determined the appropriate offering is \$10.00.

December 31, 2023 MINISTRY SCHEDULE							
Altar Cloth: Kathy Pfister			Altar Flowers: Ma	Altar Flowers: Mary Krouse			
Ushers and Greeters			Altar Servers				
4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM		
Jerry Goldsmith	Jeff Strong	Pam Neu	Grant Lake	Kaleb Strater	Matt Kelty or		
Nancy Goldsmith	Dave Singleton	Maddie Lock	Cole Lake	Sam Strater	George Vandermeir		
Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday		Extraordir	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion				
4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM		
Mandy McDonald	Bob Arnold	Matt Lock	John Kessen	Kevin Strater	Deacon Ray Krouse		
	Tim Worman	Elena Lock	Karen Edwards	Dave Putman	Terese Langsenkamp		
			Gail Martin	Cathy Putman	Al Langsenkamp		
Proclaimer Daily Masses		Collections					
December 26	Elena Lock		December 26	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith		
January 2	NO MASS		January 2	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer		
January 9	NO MASS		January 9	Margaret Baskett	Roberta O'Boyle		
January 16	NO MASS		January 16	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith		
Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks							